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Nova Scotia MP and Defence Minister Peter MacKay and Premier Rodney MacDonald shook hands yesterday after signing the long-awaited Crown share adjustment agreement that will bring $867 million into the province. Finance Minister Michael Baker, left, joined the signing at Bishop's Landing Wharf in Halifax.

'Large day' in Nova Scotia

Province gets $867 million in Crown share adjustment payments

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It was a good day for Nova Scotians yesterday.

Rumours of an estimated $850 million in Crown share adjustment payments to the province were confirmed.

Premier Rodney MacDonald and Nova Scotia MP Peter MacKay announced the long-awaited Crown share panel results on the Halifax waterfront to cheers and standing ovations and MacKay said the value of the payments will be even more than expected: $867 million.

About 150 people including provincial MLAs, reporters and other officials crowded Bishop's Landing Wharf on Lower Water Street in downtown Halifax to hear the news.

"This is a historic day for the people of Nova Scotia," MacDonald said.

He said 92 per cent of the money will go toward the province's $12.4 billion debt, while the remainder will be invested in trust accounts funding university infrastructure, protected lands and offshore research projects.

The province will initially receive $234.4 million in payments up to March 31, 2008.

And a panel of three people with former provincial chief justice Lorne Clark at the helm recommended the province receives an additional $633 million over the next 15 years.

"This is what's known in Nova Scotia as a large day," said MacKay.

MacDonald has been criticized for allowing the Atlantic Accord with the previous government to slip away but has said Crown share payments would compensate.

Deputy Liberal Leader Diana Whalen said yesterday while she's happy about news of the Crown share payments, she doesn't think it makes up for the dead accord.

"It does not absolve them of responsibility for ripping up the Atlantic Accord," she said.

New Democrat Leader Darrell Dexter and Whalen criticized the government for not putting all of the money toward debt, saying the three projects could have been funded through debt interest payment savings.

Facts on the Crown share deal

- The Crown share agreement was first reached in 1986 under Canada's National Energy Program (NEP) which gave Nova Scotia ownership in energy projects off its shores. With succeeding governments the program was dismantled but the province has continued to argue it still has rights to the funds
- The federal government originally valued the deal at about $250 million while the province maintained it was worth $1.8 billion
- The initial Crown share payment of $234.4 million means that about $23.4 million will go immediately toward each of the special projects: university infrastructure, offshore research and protected lands
- Nova Scotia's debt interest payments — calculated at around 4.8 per cent — will be reduced by thousands of dollars depending on when the first instalment of the Crown share money is received

CN Rail slashes service in response to slowdown at Port of Halifax

TRAINS Container traffic at the Port of Halifax is down and CN Rail has reduced its service as a result.

Statistics released by the port authority last week revealed container traffic was down 20 per cent during the first half of the year compared to 2007.

CN is replacing two trains with a single, longer train which they say is more efficient and will continue to meet the needs of customers, CBC reported.

The Port Authority's vice-president George Malec cites the economic climate as the reason for decreasing port traffic.

"We're in a very challenging period right now," he told CBC.

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City fire ban includes outdoor campfires

Here's the bad news about the good weather: more risk of forest fires. The city is continuing its ban on open fires, including all outdoor wood-burning appliances and campfires, until mid-September — unless we get a lot of rain. METRO HALIFAX

Local

Katimavik volunteers can help

Want young volunteers working on your non-profit's to-do list? A group of 11 Katimavik volunteers are coming to Spryfield on Sept. 17, and they're looking for something to do. Volunteers work 35 hours a week in three-month intervals for nine months. For more information, call Anthony Loring at 492-2137. METRO HALIFAX

Man injured in club shooting

No suspects in incident that closed parts of Spring Garden Road for hours

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Gunshots rang out in a Latin dance club on Spring Garden Road leaving one man injured Saturday morning.

A 26-year-old man was shot several times at Club Caliente on Spring Garden road at around 2 a.m.

"When we arrived, there were several people exiting the business in a hurry," said Sgt. Don Moser with the Halifax Regional Police in an interview yesterday.

They were told shots were fired at someone in the club, but they couldn't find a victim there.

He was located at the QEII hospital receiving treatment for multiple gunshot wounds, but none that were life threatening. Police said they were trying to speak to the victim as his medical condition allowed.

"My understanding is they don't believe it to be random but they couldn't speculate on a motive. That's something that will have to be determined through the investigation."
Sgt. Don Moser

"My understanding is they don't believe it to be random but they couldn't speculate on a motive. That's something that will have to be determined through the investigation," Moser said.

"The only thing we can comment on is there was a 26-year-old male that received treatment for non-life threatening injuries and there were two people of interest who were interviewed by police but they weren't considered suspects."

As of yesterday, police still did not have any suspects in custody.

Club Caliente, owned by Yanis Roche, and parts of Spring Garden Road were roped off in police tape on Saturday morning. It caused a few hours of worry for organizers of an Atlantic Jazz Festival parade, which ran down Spring Garden Road on Saturday afternoon.

"It certainly caused some headaches because we were worried if it would go ahead," said Bernie Smith, parade organizer and head of the Spring Garden Area Business Association.

"But then police released the street in the late morning and the whole thing went ahead fairly well."

News in brief

TRAPPED A man was trapped in the back seat of a car after it overturned in about a metre of water. By the time police responded to Sharon Drive in Lower Sackville at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, the car had been semi-submerged for several hours. A 54-year-old driver was trapped and was rescued by crews using the jaws of life. He was taken to the QEII hospital and treated for hypothermia. RCMP are investigating the cause of the accident.

ROBBERY A man wearing a grey hoodie and armed with a knife robbed the Ultramar on Lacewood Drive in Halifax yesterday. At 1:30 a.m., a man who is described as Caucasian and 5'9" tall took the cash and ran.

COLLISION A driver was ticketed for failing to yield on a left turn after a collision with a cyclist on Saturday. The cyclist, whose injuries were non-life threatening, was struck at around 2:45 p.m. on Sinclair Street in Dartmouth.

ARREST A boy threatened another boy with a knife and demanded he hand over his bike and money. It happened on Friday night at around 6:30 p.m. in Oakdale Crescent area in Dartmouth. Police later arrested a suspect and he will be charged with robbery in youth court today.

CRASH Police suspect speed was a factor in a crash that left two people injured on Friday night. The single-vehicle accident happened around 816 Old Sambro Rd., leaving a woman in her early 20s seriously injured. The male driver was also taken to hospital for treatment.

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Holly Cole **Home for the jazz fest**



RYAN TAPLIN/FOR METRO HALIFAX

Halifax's Holly Cole performs during a sold-out show at the Atlantic Jazz Festival last night.

Cancer survivor's wish fulfilled as sailing race begins

JON TATTRIE
for Metro Halifax

Eleven yachts sped out of Halifax Harbour as a cannon fired at noon yesterday, racing for victory at the island of St. Pierre.

A second, speedier class of yachts will leave today at noon, likely arriving at the finish line the same time as the first group, around Wednesday.

Jim Ready is a volunteer with the HMCS Sackville who helped organize the 580-kilometre race.

"They're mostly local people," Ready said of the sailors as the vessels circled toward the starting line in the harbour.

"Many of these Halifax people who race will cruise back along the south coast of Newfoundland," taking in the spectacular views, Ready said.

Barb Turney's husband, Mike, is captaining the Nelleke. With his crew of two is an American woman who survived breast cancer. The woman paid $1,000 for the trip, money going to help the fight against breast cancer.

"This is her first experience sailing," Barb Turney said. "It was her 'wish of a lifetime.'"

Hopefully Mike Turney enjoys his time on the water: the army man is going to make it a permanent home.

"I'm packing up the house to move," Barb said. "We've sold our house and when Mike comes back, we're leaving to retire on the boat."

winners' welcome

The winners will be welcomed to the French island with major festivities. Reporters from France have flown in to cover the race.

Senior on floor two days

INJURED A 77-year-old man spent two days on his bedroom floor before being discovered by police Thursday.

The Wolfville man's absence was noted by a seniors safety co-ordinator who tried knocking on his door several times and never got a response.

RCMP officers talked to his neighbours, and got the same story: they hadn't seen him for days. Police found an open window and got into the house.

They found an unconscious man who had fallen and hurt his back two days before. Paramedics took him to the Valley Regional Hospital where he was listed in good condition.

JENNIFER TAPLIN/METRO HALIFAX

Halifax Regional Police is hosting "Discover HRP" all this week. Twenty-five participants will take part in fitness drills, firearms exercises, police cruiser operations and mentoring sessions at the Northbrook Training Facility in Dartmouth. METRO HALIFAX

Air Canada attendants to hold rally

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Air Canada flight attendants aren't giving up.

The nearly 200 flight attendants who will be laid off in November when Air Canada closes its Halifax base are holding a rally at the airport today.

"They're stirred up," said flight attendant and union representative Lisa Vivian Anthony. "They're in the rage part of the grief process so we're going to try to capture some of that energy."

First they're having an emergency meeting at the nearby Hilton Garden Inn, and then a press conference. From there, they will load up on a bus to the airport parking lot for a rally.

"We're going to be supported by the guys on the ramps, sales agents and pilots."

They want to drum up public support, but they won't cause flight delays, Anthony said.

"I don't want to do that to the travelling public. We work in this industry and the worst thing you want to do is cause delays."

They want to put pressure on federal Minister of Labour Jean-Pierre Blackburn. Anthony said Air Canada unfairly asked for an exemption under the labour code in dealing with massive layoffs.

An Air Canada representative did not respond to requests for an interview yesterday.

Lebanese Festival **Tens of thousands enjoy Mideast traditions**



ROBYN YOUNG/METRO HALIFAX

Salam Nasrallah cooks up chicken on the final day of the 2008 Lebanese Festival yesterday in Halifax. An organizer said somewhere between 17,000 to 20,000 people attended this year's event, up several thousand visitors from last year.

After 32 years, Air Canada layoffs a 'total shock, total shock'

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Air Canada flight attendant Johanne MacEachern says she was blindsided by a Fed Ex package saying she will no longer have a job in November.

"After 32 years and two months I have to resign," she said in disbelief Friday. "That's it, just closing the door …

"I'm losing my mind."

The airline announced last Wednesday it's axing its Halifax base, laying off up to 200 flight attendants. The move is part of Air Canada's plan to lay off 2,000 employees and reduce capacity by 7 per cent because of skyrocketing fuel prices.

The airline has offered employees a $10,000 incentive to quit or bump less senior workers elsewhere, but it won't pay for moving costs.

MacEachern, who lives in Purcells Cove, says her family is rooted here and has no plans to move.

She's one of two flight attendants who have been on the job since the base opened in May 1976.

"It was a total shock, total shock, total shock when it happened," said the mother of one.

Unlike many others, MacEachern says she's lucky to have a double-income family, though she will have to find more work.

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Canada's Growing Forward Agreement
Agriculture Minister Brooke Taylor signed a $1.3-billion agreement with ministers from other provinces last week in Quebec City. The agreement is a cost-sharing plan between the provinces and the federal government. METRO

Province seeks input on homes

CONSTRUCTION About 10 per cent of new-home builders in Canada are problematic, according to a Canadian advocate group for home construction.

Canadians for Properly Built Homes reported that since Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. stopped inspecting new homes under construction in the 1980s, new house quality has decreased.

The province of Nova Scotia is now inviting public input on issues and possible solutions to concerns about poor house and condominium construction.

Public consultation began last Friday and will close Aug. 22. A discussion paper is available online at *www.gov.ns.ca/snsmr* and a response booklet available for comments.

The province hired Novus Consulting Group Ltd. to conduct a review of new-home construction and is hoping public input will help develop recommendations to improve construction standards.

A final report is due this fall. METRO HALIFAX

'Do you speak American?'

Some tourists don't bring much knowledge of Halifax

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Bizarre inquiries from visitors are part of the tourism trade.



JON TATTRIE/FOR METRO HALIFAX

A tourist strides through Historic Properties in Halifax yesterday, possibly in search of Quebec.

From mistaking Dartmouth for Quebec City to mistaking the entire city of Halifax for a cardboard set, tourists are dazzling locals with their lack of knowledge this summer.

"Do you speak American?" is just one of the questions visitors have put to staff at the tourist office on the waterfront. Another stunner was: "Do you have grocery stores in Canada?"

The American had evidently concluded Haligonians only eat at restaurants. Another meal option might be the tasty "tidal boar." Tourism guides near the Bay of Fundy have had to disappoint visitors hoping for a bite of the elusive porky pleasure.

Kevin Smeltzer, a guide on the Harbour Hopper, often encounters difficulties with geography. One passenger pointed hopefully to Dartmouth and asked, "Is that Quebec?" Others have confused McNabs with Newfoundland and Georges Island with P.E.I.

One irate American interrupted Smeltzer's tour on Citadel Hill with a cry of, "Lies! It's all lies!" The man insisted the military fort was a graveyard for Titanic victims. "I thought, 'I'm pretty sure it isn't, but I let him have his moment," Smeltzer said.

Haligonian Heidi Tattrie was stopped by an American couple asking if people live here year-round.

"I guess they thought it was a quaint, little seaside town that was pulled out for tourists," she said.

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Heidi Tattrie on being asked if people lived in Halifax year-round

James Maddison is a Londoner in Halifax for six days.

"I do know where I am," he reassured an inquisitive reporter. He has limited sympathy for those in a tourist trance, but noted ignorance is a two-way street.

Canadian friends of his grew increasingly frustrated with a hotel clerk in Spain, who was struggling with their booking.

As the Canadians turned up the volume, the clerk politely reminded them the problem wasn't his poor English. It was their non-existent Spanish.

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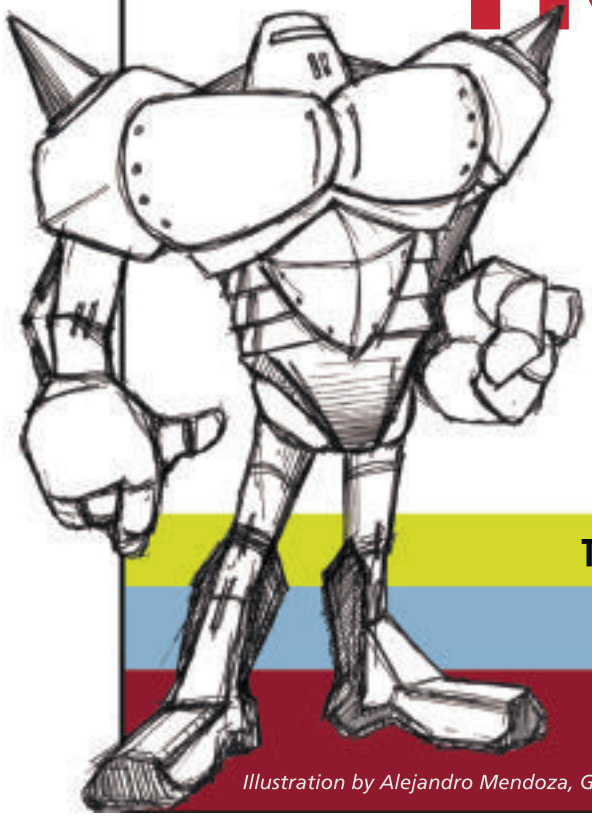


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Exotic red ants invading yards

European insect known to be aggressive

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The city is warning people to watch out for exotic red stinging ants invading backyards this summer.

So far, the European Fire Ant, which has been identified by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, has turned up on properties on Summit Street and Jubilee Road on the peninsula, Spryfield, Lower Sackville and other parts of the province.

"The little critters are very aggressive," said Stephen King, of the city's environment management office. "When something invades their territory, they attack and they sting."

In rare cases, their venom can cause anaphylactic shock, which can be lethal.

King says the ants could have been here for a few years, but it's unknown how widespread they are.

The fire ants have also turned up in the northeastern U.S., Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick.

The city is asking people to avoid transporting soil or mulch unless it's free of fire ants. Homeowners should remove potential nesting sites, such as boards, rocks and logs, from their yards.

The city also suggests using registered pest control products, such as borax, diatomaceous earth and putting boric acid in bait, to kill them.

For more information, visit *www.clean.ns.ca/pesticides* or *www.halifax.ca/pesticides/*

identification

The European fire ant is difficult to identify with the naked eye:
Reddish brown; four to five millimeters in length; waist has two segments; two backward-pointing spines visible with a magnifying glass; readily stings people and pets.

First Canadian iPhone owner thrilled to be No. 1

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Despite Christian Meagher's thrill about being the first person to buy an iPhone in Canada, he just couldn't stop yawning.

After working until 2 a.m. at Halifax's casino, he came straight to the mall to line up for an iPhone, the latest cellphone gadget that's like an iPod and Blackberry rolled into one.

"I really thought there would be a lot more people here," said the heavy-eyed 29-year-old. "I was a little shocked to be No. 1."

A lineup of about 60 snaked down the hallway outside Rogers in Halifax Shopping Centre before 8 a.m. Friday.

Meagher finally got his hands on the prize at 8:02 a.m. — a birthday present from his girlfriend.

"It was very weird, but very cool," he said about the experience.

"I don't remember my first kiss, but hopefully I'll remember my first iPhone."

Meagher, who calls himself a "techno-dweebie," says you name it; he has it: "PlayStation 3, Xbox 360, Blu-ray, 1080p TV and a really nice waffle maker."



LINDSAY JONES/METRO HALIFAX

Christian Meagher is the first in Canada to purchase an iPhone. The 29-year-old from Halifax got in line at 2:15 a.m. Friday.

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Construction of Reversing Lane on Chebucto Road

HRM wishes to advise motorists that they can expect traffic delays on Chebucto Road, from the Armdale Roundabout to Westmount Street due to the construction of a reversing lane. Work began on Friday, July 4, 2008, and will continue for approximately 10 weeks. During the construction period, one lane in each direction will be open between 7 am and 9 am and between 4 pm and 6 pm daily; during the rest of the day, there will be one lane open. To avoid delays, HRM is advising motorists to use an alternate route if possible, and if not, to use extreme caution when they are driving through the work area. Experienced traffic control personnel will be present to direct traffic.

The purpose of the reversing lane is to move traffic more efficiently during peak traffic times by enabling the addition of a second lane inbound for the morning commute and outbound for the evening commute, much the same as the MacDonald Bridge and Herring Cove Road.

Project Facts:

I. The changes that will happen in this area include seven overhead lane designation signs, new asphalt paving, and new pavement markings to accommodate the reversing lane. The existing three lane cross section of Chebucto Road from the Armdale Roundabout to Sherwood Street will not be widened, with the exception of approximately 17 metres of curb in front of the Armview Restaurant that will be replaced and the sidewalk narrowed to allow the lane in that area to be 1/2 metre wider for traffic entering Chebucto Rd. from the Roundabout.
II. Some existing sidewalk will be removed and reinstated where the overhead lane designation signage is being installed to allow the base for the supports for this signage to be under the sidewalk.
III. Nine properties are directly impacted in some way, by the widening of the road between Sherwood Street and Westmount Street to accommodate the transition into and out of the reversing lane.
IV. A new wider sidewalk will be added to both sides of Chebucto Road, from Sherwood Street to Westmount Street.
V. The traffic lights at the Chebucto Road/Mumford Road/MacDonald Street intersection will be replaced with new signals and will include pedestrian countdown and audible pedestrian signals for the hearing impaired.
VI. The accompanying map indicates the area where road widening will be taking place, where new curbs and sidewalks will be located, where the existing curb is located, where new overhead signals will be installed and the new pavement markings.
VII. As part of the project, it was necessary to remove seven trees from the affected area. In order to compensate for this, 48 new trees will be introduced to the neighbourhood.

HRM apologizes for any inconvenience that may result during this construction.

For more information concerning this project and maps of the construction area, please visit our website at www.halifax.ca, select Traffic from the quick links and click on Hotspots.



Cadman lawsuit

Recently revealed court documents say that a former FBI scientist, who was payed for by Stephen Harper in his Cadman lawsuit against the Liberal party, has found that an audio tape at the centre of the legal action was not doctored. METRO CANADA

Canada



Natynczyk optimistic

The new head of Canada's military, Gen. Walter Natynczyk, left, has wrapped up a visit to Afghanistan and offered a positive assessment of the mission, despite contrasting sharply with statistics on increased insurgent attacks and the opinions of allies.

Olympic scrutiny in Ottawa

Amnesty International protests Beijing Games

TRACEY TONG
Metro Canada

Under normal circumstances, Ottawa's Michael Bossin would be excited for the upcoming summer Olympic Games.

But the ongoing human rights situation in China has turned anticipation to disappointment, said the Amnesty International member.

"I had hoped the Olympics in China would improve the situation of human rights in the country, but by all accounts, things are worse.

It was a great opportunity for China to show its best side, but sadly, I think the opportunity has been lost."

Dozens of Amnesty supporters protested at Ottawa's Chinese Embassy yesterday to mark the seven-year anniversary of Beijing winning the 2008 Olympic Games.

"We want to … remind the Chinese government of their promise to improve human rights if they got the Olympics," said Lindsay Mossman, with Amnesty in Ottawa.



TRACEY TONG/METRO CANADA

Amnesty International supporter Lindsay Mossman shouts protests over a megaphone near Ottawa's Chinese embassy yesterday as, from left to right, Adam Allentuck, Alain Langlois and Soumya Venkatesh look on. Demonstrators protested the human rights situation in China on the anniversary of Beijing being awarded the 2008 Olympics.

There were 6,000 executions in China last year, claimed Ian Heide, a volunteer with Amnesty in Ottawa.

Human rights advocates also protest the lack of fair trials, media censorship and the repression of activists, who are often detained for speaking out for human rights.

"The athletes work so hard and they are so dedicated and we respect and support them," said Amnesty supporter Lee Seymour. "But I can't see how it wouldn't put a damper on the games."

Mossman was happy with the turnout. "There's quite a few people here, which sends a really strong message that people are excited about the Olympic and the opportunity to improve human rights."

Drivers on St. Patrick Street honked their horns in support. Heide said there's still time for China to make the situation right before next month's Games.

"They can put a moratorium on executions or free all prisoners of conscience. That would be a big step."

Animal cruelty case 'horrifying'

Ottawa man in court today

TRACEY TONG
Metro Canada

A case that the Ottawa humane society calls "horrifying" will land in an Ottawa court today after the arrest on the weekend of a man accused of beating a cat to death and tossing another from an apartment balcony.

After a show cause hearing yesterday, Richard Holstein, 24, will appear back in Ottawa court at 1:30 p.m. today by video, said Detective Anne Menard of the Ottawa Police Partner Assault Section. He had been arrested on Saturday evening.

"Unfortunately, this type of case seems to be on the rise"
Miriam Smith, Animal Protection Services

Holstein is accused of breaking into his ex-girlfriend's Sandy Hill apartment on Wednesday and throwing one of her cats off a third-floor balcony and beating a second cat to death. The cat thrown from the balcony, which was missing for several days, was later found and returned to its owner.

"This is a horrifying case," said Miriam Smith, manager of Emergency Animal Protection Services. "Unfortunately, this type of case seems to be on the rise. The Ottawa Humane Society has seen an extremely disturbing trend in increasing cases of abuse toward animals over the past few years."

In March, a 19-year-old Ottawa man was charged after he admitted to tossing a cat out of a second-storey window. The cat bounced off the building's fire escape before hitting the ground, suffering a broken leg.

And last August, a 68-year-old man and his 31-year-old daughter were charged with animal cruelty after they allegedly tossed a five-week-old kitten from a moving vehicle.

Holstein was arrested without incident.

News in brief

DRUG BUST Edmonton police raided a home and found more than 2,230 pot plants, $60,000 in lights and grow op equipment and ecstasy pills over the weekend. Street value of the drugs is $2.4 million.

FIRST NATIONS The number of aboriginal police officers patrolling First Nations communities is plummeting, despite a recruiting drive over the last decade, a new survey suggests. METRO CANADA

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Fight brewing over B.C. attack

JEFF HODSON
Metro Canada

A violent groping in East Vancouver has sparked a war of words between provincial New Democrats and TransLink, their primary public transit system, over security.

New Democrat politicians Raj Chouhan (Burnaby-Edmonds) and Adrian Dix (Vancouver-Kingsway) petitioned transit riders outside Edmonds Station yesterday.

The pair are calling for increased security in and around stations after a 27-year-old Vancouver woman was sexually assaulted Friday night, a block from Nanaimo station.

TransLink, however, said the campaign is disingenuous and gives the public the wrong impression about SkyTrain security because the majority of assaults and robberies do not happen at the stations themselves.



JEFF HODSON/METRO VANCOUVER

New Democrat MLAs Raj Chouhan, right, and Adrian Dix petition SkyTrain riders at Edmonds Station yesterday. The pair is calling for increased security at and around stations.

At about 8 p.m. Friday, Vancouver police said a 27-year-old was walking from a Translink station, when a man attacked her and grabbed her breasts.

He ran off when a passing motorist stopped to help.

260 come to B.C. stem cell drive

RICHMOND Carolyn Tam is 260 steps closer to finding a much-needed stem cell match after a drive was held in Richmond, B.C. yesterday screening possible candidates for a bone marrow transplant that would save her life.The stem cell drive provided on-site testing to 260 volunteers to see if they were compatible with Carolyn.



Carolyn Tam

It was the third drive put on by Vancouver friends and family of the Toronto woman, who has been battling leukemia for two years. METRO CANADA

Schwarzenegger blasts Bush's climate record
California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said yesterday the Bush administration did not believe it should do anything about global warming and that any last-minute action before leaving office would be "bogus." REUTERS

World



Snow dies at 53

U.S. President George W. Bush's former press secretary Tony Snow, left, known for his genial jousting with reporters, has died of cancer, the White House said on the weekend. Snow, 53, who had been a conservative radio and television commentator, left the post as Bush's spokesman in September 2007 after taking the job the previous year. REUTERS

Iranian threats grow

Ahmadinejad vows to strike down enemies

Iran's president said his country would strike its enemies before they managed to fire a shot, media reported yesterday, part of an escalating war of words on its nuclear ambitions fuelling Middle East tensions.

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad echoed comments by other Iranian officials and commanders that Iran's response to any attack over its disputed nuclear programme would be quick.

"Before the enemies get their hands on the trigger the armed forces will cut off their hands," the official IRNA news agency quoted Ahmadinejad as telling reporters.

A senior Iranian official was quoted as saying on Saturday that Iran would destroy Israel and 32 U.S. military bases in the Middle East if the Islamic Republic was attacked.

The United States has refused to rule out military action if diplomacy fails to resolve the nuclear row. Washington says Tehran is seeking nuclear arms, a charge Iran denies, saying its aim is to generate electricity.

Israel, long assumed to have nuclear arms, has sworn to prevent Iran from attaining atomic weapons. An Israeli air force drill last month raised speculation it was planning an attack.

Iranian missile tests this week further stoked tension. Fears of military confrontation between Iran and Israel have helped to send global oil prices to record highs.

Oil exports from the whole Gulf region would be at risk if Iran's exports were hindered by any threat, Iran's OPEC governor Mohammad Ali Khatibi told Reuters yesterday. REUTERS

Russian investment

The head of Russian gas company Gazprom was in Iran yesterday looking for new business opportunities after French oil major Total froze investment in a major Iranian field citing political risk.

Paris Mediterranean summit



YVES HERMAN/REUTERS

French President Nicolas Sarkozy and his wife Carla Bruni arrive for a dinner during an EU-Mediterranean summit in Paris yesterday. Leaders from Europe, North Africa and the Mideast launched a 43-nation Union for the Mediterranean pledging practical cooperation.

Obama clarifies Jerusalem comment

MIDEAST Democratic presidential hopeful Barack Obama said yesterday he used "poor phrasing" in a speech supporting Jerusalem as the undivided capital of Israel.

"You know, the truth is that this was an example where we had some poor phrasing in the speech. And we immediately tried to correct the interpretation that was given," he said in an interview aired yesterday on CNN's Fareed Zakaria — GPS. REUTERS

Afghanistan

9 U.S. soldiers killed in attack

CASUALTIES Insurgents killed nine U.S. soldiers in an assault on an Afghan army and NATO outpost in northeastern Afghanistan yesterday, making it one of the worst days for foreign troops casualties in the country since 2001. REUTERS

News in brief

AUSTRALIA Pope Benedict arrived in Australia yesterday for an international Catholic youth festival and promised to apologize for a sexual abuse scandal that has rocked the church in the country.

ERUPTION A volcano in Alaska's Aleutian chain erupted Saturday, sending a cloud of ash 35,000 feet into the air. REUTERS



Butt out

Cigarette butts topped the litter list during the TD Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup last year. More than 270,000 butts were removed from Canadian shorelines, the equivalent of 10,000 packages of cigarettes. NEWS CANADA

Going Green

Emissions sources

Sources of personal greenhouse gas emissions in Canada, according to Greeniology: How To Live Well, Be Green And Make A Difference by Tanya Ha: Passenger road transport (49.9 per cent), space heating (28.7 per cent), water heating (11.1 per cent), appliances (7.5 per cent), lighting (2.4 per cent), space cooling (0.3 per cent) METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Sailing into water problems

ScienceMatters

David Suzuki & Dr. Faisal Moola



If you've been following news about the upcoming Beijing Olympic Games, you may have seen photos of thousands of workers trying to clean huge swaths of algae from the waters and beaches in co-host city Qingdao. The algae have proliferated more than one-third of waters where sailing events will be held.

This is not an unusual occurrence, but it is a symptom of an underlying problem with potential repercussions far more serious than hampering Olympic events or adding to the negative publicity surrounding China's Games. The blooms — along with a host of other problems — are caused by excessive amounts of nitrogen from sources such as road and industrial runoff, untreated sewage, and, most of all, fossil-fuel combustion and agricultural fertilizers.

Because it is a major component of proteins and the atmosphere, nitrogen is a vital element in the biosphere. In the soil, nitrogen stimulates growth in plants.

We can "fix" nitrogen from the air into fertilizer in a process that takes a lot of heat from fossil fuels.

Applied on farmers' fields, this artificial fertilizer induces plant growth, but scientists believe this has resulted in nitrogen entering the Earth's soils at more than twice its natural rate. This ripples out from the land to affect freshwater and marine ecosystems. Besides giving Chinese Olympic organizers headaches, algal outbreaks have also contaminated drinking-water supplies used by millions of people.

Excess nitrogen can also disrupt or change plant-growth patterns (including contributing to the spread of invasive species), poison freshwater environments, deprive ocean ecosystems of the oxygen needed to support aquatic life, and even contribute to global warming.

Because we know where much of the excess nitrogen in the environment comes from, we know how to reduce the levels.

First, we must cut back on fossil fuels. But we can also reduce our use of chemical fertilizers, in agriculture, on golf courses, and even in our own backyards.

We may not be able fix the problem in time for the 2008 Olympics, but we need to get on it now, or we'll have far bigger problems to contend with than where to hold Olympic sailing events.

Take David Suzuki's Nature Challenge and learn more at *www.davidsuzuki.org*.

Dr. David T. Suzuki is a Vancouver-based award-winning scientist, environmentalist and broadcaster.

'Dead zones'

- Scientists predict that a massive "dead zone" in the Gulf of Mexico will grow to more than 26,000 square kilometres — half the size of Nova Scotia — this summer because of excess nitrogen in the water.
- These dead zones are growing in size and number, with as many as 200 now believed to have formed in the Earth's oceans.

Full-time jobs tumble
Statistics Canada reported Friday a sharp drop in full-time positions in June as some 39,200 jobs were slashed. The creation of 34,200 part-time jobs helped offset those losses, hiking the unemployment rate to 6.2 per cent. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICES

Business



Pre-buy gas site created

Miami-based MyGallons, created last month to give drivers a chance to pre-buy gasoline at a fixed rate, is "in preliminary talks" to take it to six countries — including Canada, says Steve Verona, founder of the gasoline-hedging company. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Mirabel to build CSeries jet

Bombardier launched a new 110-130 seat passenger jet, the CSeries, yesterday in a Canadian bid to challenge industry giants Airbus and Boeing.

Announcing the long-awaited launch on the eve of the Farnborough Air Show in Britain, the Montreal-based company said it had selected Mirabel near Montreal as the site to assemble the planes, which will enter service in 2013. Mirabel had been competing with Kansas City, Missouri.

German airline Lufthansa has provisionally ordered 30 planes with an option for 30 more, Bombardier said. REUTERS

News in brief

IPHONE The Canadian launch of the iPhone arrived amid a great deal of hype and a few hiccups. Liz Hamilton, a spokesperson, for Rogers Communications, confirmed the wireless provider had run into some computer-system issues because of the "unprecedented consumer demand" for the device. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

THE DAILY BUSINESS BUZZ

Projects to cost more:
The Atlantic Province's Economic Council says spending on major projects in the region will increase by 37 per cent. Rising costs of fuel, building materials and labour are driving the price increase. The Major Projects Inventory for 2008 report shows that 425 projects, valued at around $84-billion — a 17 per cent increase over last year — are in various stages of development throughout the region.

Bell Aliant CEO leaving:
Bell Aliant Regional Communications Income Fund announced that Stephen Wetmore, president and chief executive officer of Bell Aliant, will be leaving his position effective Dec. 31. Wetmore has led the company since its formation in July 2006.

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Athletics
Jamaican sprinter Asafa Powell's Olympic preparations suffered a slight setback on Friday when he pulled up in his heat of the 100 metres at Rome's Golden Gala event with a groin strain. The injury is reportedly not serious. REUTERS

Beijing Games

Cancer won't keep swimmer away

SWIMMING American swimmer Eric Shanteau has been diagnosed with testicular cancer but still plans to race at the Beijing Olympics, U.S. Swimming said on Friday.

Shanteau qualified for a spot on the U.S. squad at last week's Olympic trials in Omaha, Neb., finishing second in the 200-metre breaststroke behind Scott Spann.

Chambers wins, awaits verdict

ATHLETICS Dwain Chambers achieved the first stage in his bid to run at the Beijing Olympics when he won the 100 metres final at the British trials on Saturday and must now await a legal ruling on his eligibility.

Chambers will find out on Wednesday if his lawyers have secured a temporary injunction against his lifetime ban which would make him eligible for the Olympics.

Chinese Olympian gets 4-year ban

ATHLETICS Chinese race walker and former Olympian Song Hongjuan has been handed a four-year ban after failing a dope test in February, according to the International Association of Athletics Federations.

Song tested positive for erythropoietin (EPO). REUTERS

Sports in brief

ATHLETICS Double amputee Oscar Pistorius failed in his second attempt to reach the Beijing Olympics 400 metres qualification time on Friday. The South African ran a time of 46.62 seconds, but needs to run 45.55 to qualify.

SOCCER Japan will contest next month's Beijing Olympic soccer tournament without any over-age players after midfielder Yasuhito Endo was hospitalized with a viral infection. REUTERS

Tomorrow's lineup

KEEPING QUIET If you're waiting for one of Canada's Olympians to take a stand on China's human-rights record, don't hold your breath. Read tomorrow's Metro for more.

24 days remain until the official start of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing.



From left: Kara Lang, Amy Walsh and Robyn Gayle race for the ball during a Canada's women's soccer team practice in North Vancouver last week.



Melissa Tancredi, left, and Emily Zurrer fight for the ball.

PHOTOS BY JEFF HODSON/METRO CANADA

Team shoots for gold

Women's soccer players getting ready for first appearance at Games

JEFF HODSON
Metro Canada

While members of Canada's women's soccer team say they're thrilled to be one of 12 teams taking part in the world's largest sporting event, their aspirations don't end with just participating.



Canadian national team keeper Erin McLeod pounces on a ball during a scrimmage.

"We want to win gold," said Christine Sinclair, 25, of Burnaby. "To come home with a medal would be a good result for us. We know that we can beat any team in the world if we play well."

Canada, which is ranked ninth in the world in women's soccer, is making its first appearance at the Games since women's soccer was included in 1996.

Head coach Even Pellerud said the team, most of whom have been in a national program residency in Vancouver for the past two years, have been steadily gearing up for tournament since qualifying April 12 with a victory over Mexico.

The team, he added, has played 18 or 19 international matches since January.

"You can train and train and train as much as you want," said Pellerud. "But if you cannot test it against the best teams in the world, you really are without answers."

Recently, Canada finished runner-up to the U.S., the top-ranked team in the world, at the 2008 Peace Queen Cup in Korea. Canada lost the hard-fought match 1-0, with the only goal coming in extra time.

The team, Pellerud said, has been to China a handful of times over the past couple of years to prepare for Beijing's notoriously poor air quality.

The trips allowed coaches to see how different players reacted to the pollution and which players may need inhalers.

"We have played or trained in those conditions many times now; there should be no surprises for us," he said.

"We know that we can beat any team in the world if we play well."
Christine Sinclair

Sinclair added that all of the teams will have to deal with the pollution. "It's going to be bad for everyone," she says.

Canada is in Group A and plays Argentina (ranked 27), China (ranked 14) and Sweden (ranked 3).

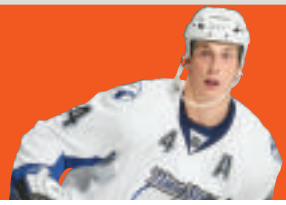
"All of a sudden it's really close," said Kara Lang, 21, of Oakville, Ont. "There's an excitement in the air and a different level of intensity as it gets closer.

"It's something I've dreamed about since I was a little girl," she says. "For any athlete, it's the ultimate dream."

The team tied Brazil 1-1 in a friendly Thursday at BMO Field in Toronto prior to heading to Singapore to get acclimatized to the heat before the Olympics.

NBA
The Washington Wizards re-signed star guard Gilbert Arenas yesterday. Terms were not disclosed but the Washington Post reports that Arenas agreed to a six-year, $111-million US contract with the club. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports



Bolts lock up Lecavalier

The Tampa Bay Lightning signed forward Vincent Lecavalier to an 11-year contract extension, the club announced yesterday. TSN.ca reports the deal is worth $85 million US. The first overall pick of the 1998 draft, Lecavalier holds the franchise record in goals (273), points (602) and games played (710).

Rays limp into All-Star break

Tampa drops seventh game in a row to give up AL East lead to Boston

The reeling Tampa Bay Rays lost their seventh successive game and their lead in the American League East with a 5-2 loss to the Cleveland Indians yesterday.



AARON JOSEFCZYK/REUTERS

Indians baserunner Ryan Garko avoids a tag from Tampa Bay Rays second baseman Ben Zorbist yesterday in Cleveland.

The Rays now trail the Boston Red Sox by half a game in the division heading into the All-Star break.

The Rays seven-game slide comes straight after a seven-game winning streak put them five games ahead of Boston.

"We totally massacred our seven-game winning streak," Tampa Bay manager Joe Maddon told reporters. "We have to do a better job on the road.

"This is six losses in a row on the road. We just have to do a better job on the road. We're two different teams."

Tampa is 36-14 at home and 19-25 on the road.

Maddon said he would not panic, though his young team appeared to be feeling the pressure of their unexpected success this season. Tampa Bay won just 66 games in 2007.

"I do feel good about that group," he said. "I will always feel good about that group."

Scott Kazmir gave up five runs on eight hits over six innings and took the loss, as the Indians won their fourth successive game.

"It has been a great first half," Kazmir said. "There are going to be times like this in the season where we're going to go through a bump, a slow stage.

"We've just got to be able to bounce back. Today, we were looking to do that, but it didn't happen. This next half, we have to put it behind us and get us back on track."

Blue Jays 4 Yankees 1 — A.J. Burnett was brilliant on the hill, and Marco Scutaro blasted a three-run homer as Toronto downed New York in the rubber match of a three-game set. Burnett was nearly untouchable, surrendering one run on six hits in 8 1/3 innings.

Red Sox 2 Orioles 1 — Daisuke Matsuzaka hurled six shutout innings and Boston held off a ninth inning Baltimore rally as the Red Sox edged the Orioles.

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SCOREBOARD

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Boston	57	40	.588	—
Tampa Bay	55	39	.585	½
N.Y. Yankees	50	45	.526	6
Toronto	47	48	.495	9
Baltimore	45	48	.484	10

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago Sox	54	40	.574	—
Minnesota	53	42	.558	1½
Detroit	47	47	.500	7
Kansas City	43	53	.448	12
Cleveland	41	53	.436	13

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
L.A. Angels	57	38	.600	—
Oakland	51	44	.537	6
Texas	50	46	.521	7½
Seattle	37	58	.389	20

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Philadelphia	52	44	.542	—
N.Y. Mets	51	44	.537	½
Florida	50	45	.526	1½
Atlanta	45	50	.474	6½
Washington	36	60	.375	16

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago Cubs	57	38	.600	—
St. Louis	53	43	.552	4½
Milwaukee	52	43	.547	5
Cincinnati	46	50	.479	11½
Pittsburgh	44	50	.468	12½
Houston	44	51	.463	13

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	PCT	GB
Arizona	47	48	.495	—
L.A. Dodgers	46	49	.484	1
San Francisco	40	55	.421	7
Colorado	39	57	.406	8½
San Diego	37	58	.389	10

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston 2 Baltimore 1
Cleveland 5 Tampa Bay 2
Detroit 4 Minnesota 2
L.A. Angels 4 Oakland 3
Seattle 4 Kansas City 3
Texas 12 Chicago White Sox 11
Toronto 4 N.Y. Yankees 1

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Atlanta 12 San Diego 3
Houston 5 Washington 0
L.A. Dodgers 9 Florida 1
Milwaukee 3 Cincinnati 2
N.Y. Mets 7 Colorado 0
Philadelphia 6 Arizona 3
San Francisco 4 Chicago Cubs 2
St. Louis 11 Pittsburgh 6

TONIGHT

All-Star Home Run Derby, 9

TOMORROW'S GAME

All-Star Game (at New York)
National League vs. American League, 9

WEDNESDAY

No games scheduled

AL BATTING LEADERS

Name, team	AB	R	H	AVG
Kinsler Tex	398	84	134	.337
Morneau Min	365	55	118	.323
Mauer Min	301	58	97	.322
Damon NYY	313	50	100	.319
Bradley Tex	269	55	85	.316
Pedroia Bos	395	67	124	.314
Youkilis Bos	328	56	103	.314
Rodriguez NYY	279	53	87	.312
Hamilton Tex	377	60	117	.310
Grudzielanek KC	288	34	89	.309

NL BATTING LEADERS

Name, team	AB	R	H	AVG
Jones Atl	296	55	112	.378
Pujols StL	282	48	100	.355
Berkman Hou	331	77	115	.347
Holliday Col	305	52	103	.338
Theriot ChiC	342	52	110	.322
Nady Pgh	300	43	95	.317
Guzman Wash	400	54	126	.315
Molina StL	272	21	85	.312
Ramirez Fla	373	80	116	.311
Atkins Col	364	55	112	.308

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	T	PTS
Montreal	2	1	0	4
Hamilton	1	2	0	2
Toronto	1	2	0	2
Winnipeg	0	3	0	0

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	T	GB
Saskatchewan	3	0	0	6
Edmonton	2	1	0	4
Calgary	2	1	0	4
B.C.	1	2	0	2

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Edmonton 47 Toronto 28

Perry keeps cool for third win

American Kenny Perry won a three-way playoff to win the John Deere Classic at Silvis, Ill., yesterday and claim his third win in his last five PGA events.

Perry went into the final hole with a one-shot lead but made a hash of a chip to the green and bogeyed the 18th to leave him in a three-way play-off with Brad Adamonis and Jay Williamson.

The 47-year-old Perry kept his cool in the play-off, making a par while his two rivals found water and bogeyed.

"I felt like I gave it away and they gave it back to me. But I fought hard, produced key shots at the right time. That was a great win for me," said Perry.

Williamson's finish was enough to earn him an invitation to next week's British Open.



KEVIN C. COX/GETTY IMAGES

Kenny Perry shows off his new hardware after winning the 2008 John Deere Classic at TPC at Deere Run yesterday in Silvis, Ill.

Organizers of the John Deere Classic, in order to attract the best possible field, had organized on a chartered plane to take players directly to Manchester to prepare for the Open.

Perry has already decided not to play the tournament, which starts at Royal Birkdale on Thursday and confirmed after yesterday's play he would not change his mind and would play instead in the Milwaukee Championship next week.

Perry, who focused his entire season on the Ryder Cup and was reluctant to change plans, has now risen to second in the FedEx Cup standings after adding to his victories at the Memorial Tournament and the Buick Open.

Perry's victory equals his previous best season, in 2003 when he also picked up three tournament wins.

"It's just my time. I don't why it is happening but things are just going my way," said Perry. REUTERS

Morneau fills out homer derby field

MLB Minnesota Twins first baseman Justin Morneau has accepted an invitation to be the eighth and final participant in tonight's All-Star Home Run Derby at Yankee Stadium.



Morneau

Morneau, a native of New Westminster, B.C., also participated in the Derby last season, and is the final American League entrant. Texas' Josh Hamilton, Tampa Bay's Evan Longoria and Cleveland's Grady Sizemore will also participate for the AL.

Houston's Lance Berkman, Milwaukee's Ryan Braun, Florida's Dan Uggla and Philadelphia's Chase Utley are the National League entrants.

Marmol joins all-stars as fill in

MLB Chicago Cubs set-up man Carlos Marmol was named to the National League All-Star team yesterday, replacing his teammate, closer Kerry Wood.

Wood, who has 24 saves in 29 opportunities this season, will miss tomorrow's All-Star Game at Yankee Stadium with a blister on his right index finger.

Ricco flies high to claim stage win

CYCLING Italian Riccardo Ricco paraded his climbing skills with a stunning attack on the first mountain test of the Tour de France yesterday to claim his second stage victory.

Kim Kirchen of Luxembourg retains the overall leader's yellow jersey, six seconds ahead of Australian Cadel Evans.

Busch continues hot NASCAR run

RACING Kyle Busch retook the lead with less than two laps remaining to win his seventh Sprint Cup race of the season at the Chicagoland Speedway on Saturday.

The win came the day after he won the Nationwide Series race on the same track.

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Tennis

Bridgewater's Adam Becker, left, lost to Chris Klingemann of the U.S. over the weekend. The loss means Becker will not qualify for the singles draw of the ATP Challenger Tournament in Moncton, but he will play in doubles. METRO HALIFAX



RYAN TAPLIN/FOR METRO HALIFAX

Competitors in the laser class sail on the Bedford Basin in the ARK Regatta yesterday. The ARK Regatta signals the beginning of the summer season in Nova Scotia.

Regatta launches season

ARK event features two days of sailing, Youth Olympic training seminar

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Last summer Leland Shatford had a fractured skull, three fractured vertebrae in his back and three in his neck.

Yesterday, he was out sailing a laser sailboat in the ARK Regatta at the Bedford Basin Yacht Club. This was his first race back after being severely injured in a car crash last year.

"It's my first couple days out this year so I didn't do too great, but I had a good time," said Shatford, 18. "It's good to see people again. It's a good atmosphere, good social climate. But my back does hurt a little bit."

Shatford was one of more than 200 racers on 162 boats of various types. And while his dedication was impressive, he actually wasn't the only one battling physical conditions to take part. Chantel Boudreau, 16, of Bedford was hit with a severe viral infection as recently as Thursday.

"I suddenly didn't feel so good, to the point where I couldn't sail. I was on all fours in the boat," she said. In extreme pain, she came back onshore to rest on the docks but things kept getting worse.

"I was lying on the dock and someone called an ambulance. As I was waiting I passed out and my breathing kind of stopped once."

And yet, as of yesterday, Boudreau was back on the water racing with partner Casey MacDermott in a 29er. She said she felt pretty good, though she could still feel where it was hurting before.

For Shatford, Boudreau, and everyone else in the area dedicated to sailing, the ARK Regatta signals the kickoff of the summer season in Nova Scotia. Aside from two days of sailing, it also featured an Atlantic Youth Olympic training seminar, put on by the Nova Scotia Yachting Association and run by provincial coach Michael Todd.

Volunteers came not only from the yacht club itself but from across Canada to help judge the races.

Winds were a bit low on Saturday but racers had few complaints about the weather yesterday, as lots of sun and strong winds led to some high-speed, competitive matches.

"The wind was awesome. It'd come down and then pick up a lot," said Spencer Dalzell, who is only nine years old but brags he's been racing since two months.

He doesn't have plans on stopping anytime soon.

"I want to do more races. That's my goal," he said.

ARK Regatta results

29er
1) Helm: Peter Sovsalu; Crew: Michael Blumer
2) Helm: Dana Archibald; Crew: Karen Filbee-Dexter
3) Helm: Jonathan Reid; Crew: Teddy Skiffington

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1) Helm: Jacob Chaplin-Saunders; Crew: Joss Warren
2) Helm: Erik Koppernaes; Crew: Adam Henneberry
3) Helm: Max O'Brien; Crew: Ben Burley

Byte
1) Christiane Whitehouse
2) Christie Nicole
3) Bria Wood

C II
1) Thomas Nicholson
2) Sacha Roberts
3) Micheal Doane

Laser
1) Brendan Wilton
2) Carlisle Norwood
3) Geoff Beck

Laser Radial
1) Danielle Dube
2) Karl Mitchell
3) Dan MacMillan

Opti Green
1) Neely Craig
2) Gareth Connolly
3) Sam Julien

Optimist
1) Max Flinn
2) Nathan Fields
3) Jeremy Fraser

Consistent LeBlanc wins amateur title

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GOLF Mireille Leblanc shot four impressive rounds of golf in the 70's to cruise to victory at the NSGA Royale Women's Amateur Championship over the weekend.

Leblanc, a 20-year-old from Clare, finished Saturday with a 3-over 75 at the West Pubnico Golf and Country Club to finish nine strokes ahead of defending champion Laura Harris of Ken Wo.

Penn Hill's Irene Jung, only 14 years old, finished third. Anne Balser of Digby Pines came fourth, clinching the final spot on the Nova Scotia squad heading to Winnipeg for the Canadian championships beginning July 29.

On the Senior Circuit, Kathy Powers of the Bluenose Golf Club came back from a five-stroke deficit in the final round to win the 2008 Senior Women's Championship Saturday.

Defending champion Powers shot a tournament-best 74 to overtake Jean Boudreau of Hartlen Point by two strokes. The victory is Powers' 18th provincial championship.

METRO HALIFAX

Sports in brief

SOCCER The Halifax Dunbrack Bremner's blanked Moncton Codiac 3-0 Saturday to start the season 11-0 in the Nova Scotia Senior A Men's Soccer League. Dunbrack's game yesterday against Moncton had to be rescheduled. Halifax Dunbrack now holds a six-point lead in first place.

SOCCER The Dartmouth United Super City Windows beat Halifax City Salty's 3-1 Saturday to put them in first place in the Nova Scotia Senior A Division 1 Women's Soccer League. Brianne Moore, Kristine Mills and Sarah Drake all scored for Dartmouth United, while Marie Beth Bowie scored the lone goal for Halifax. Dartmouth now has a two-point lead over Halifax Dunbrack for first place.

BASEBALL Interleague play wrapped up between the Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League and New Brunswick over the weekend. As of yesterday evening, Moncton edged Halifax 9-7, Chatham beat Sydney 5-0 and Truro took down Summerside 19-3. The Dartmouth Moosehead Dry became the first team to clinch a playoff berth with two wins on Saturday. METRO HALIFAX

Sports in brief

SWIMMING Chelsey Gotell of Antigonish broke her own world record in the 200m backstroke Saturday at the Can Am Open competition for swimmers with a disability. Gotell, a Paralympic swim team member, clocked 2:35.04 to break her 2003 world record time of 2:36.62.

NHL The New Jersey Devils re-signed former Halifax Moosehead captain Petr Vrana for their Lowell, Mass., farm team. Vrana was Lowell's leading scorer last year with 20 goals and 41 assists. METRO HALIFAX

Locals impress at Meigher athletics event

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ATHLETICS Local talent fared well against Olympians and international talent at the Aileen Meigher International Track Classic 2008 on Friday at Saint Mary's University. But local favourite Adrianne Power ended up not taking part in competition.

Among the local winners were Juliana Blois, whose 5.11-metre jump was good enough for first place in the women's long jump. Marissa Walter of Annapolis Valley came in first in the women's 400-metre race, followed by HRM residents Katie Campbell and Jennifer Pitman.

"I was very pleased with the outcome of the meet," said meet organizer Kevin Heisler. "There were four records I believe broken from the previous year. We had six countries represented besides ours. The results overall were great."



Power

Power, the Canadian champion at 200 metres from East Jeddore who is heading to the Olympics, dropped out of the event less than 24 hours before it started. Power felt discomfort in her gluteus and hamstrings and felt it was better to rest her muscles in preparation for the Olympic Games.

Other local competitors to place included Flyn Sebastien of Dartmouth, who came in third in the men's 3,000-metre race with a time of 8:32.25, two seconds behind winner Max Paquette. Nikkia Jones, also of Dartmouth, placed third in the women's 200 metres with a time of 26.22 seconds.

Laurier wins awards
Wilfrid Laurier University picked up two awards from the Canadian Association of Career Educators & Employers.
The university won the Education Institution Recognition Award and garnered the Outstanding Achievement Award. METRO

Workology



Enrolment
A declining value in the U.S. dollar is fuelling an increase in foreign student enrolment, some U.S. education experts speculate.
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Nurses needed now

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With an aging population and not enough nurses entering the ranks to take care of them all, private and public health-care providers in Canada alike are bracing for a health-care crisis.

Experts say the numbers of elderly people who need help with the daily acts of living most of us take for granted like getting groceries, making meals and keeping healthy are growing and too few nurses are being brought into the fold, especially among young people.

Kaaren Neufeld, president of the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA), says the numbers tell a worrying story — while the CNA recently succeeded in graduating more than 9,300 new nurses in a single year for the first time in three decades, Neufeld says the country needs closer to 12,000 new nurses each year.

"There is a shortage of health-care practitioners in this country and working with the frail elderly in this country is something there will continue to be a strong need for," Neufeld said.

As many aging boomers develop increasing nursing needs, Neufeld insists more emphasis on continuing care instead of cures will be needed.

"We have to change the way health care is delivered in this country in order to meet the need of the population we're anticipating," Neufeld said.

Lisa Wiseman, president of private firm Eldercare Home Health Inc., which sends experienced registered nurses directly to elderly clients' own homes, says the lack of nurses is a problem not easily solved in the short term, since field experience is such a key part of successful nursing.

"Even if we graduated all the nurses we needed tomorrow, they still wouldn't have the experience. We're definitely heading into a crisis," Wiseman said.

A big problem has been attracting young female nurses, since traditionally few men choose to enter the field.

Before the women's liberation movement, most women chose to enter either nursing or teaching as professions.

Now that women are increasingly being accepted in the working world, Wiseman says it's only natural that many are choosing a wide variety of professions. With the average age of a registered nurse hovering at around 47 years old, it's also obvious that relatively few young women are choosing to become nurses.



Demand for nurses, who are already needed desperately in Canada, is expected to increase dramatically in the coming years.

Don't let your 'CrackBerry' take over your life

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advice for vacations

When you go on vacation, tell people via your answering machine and automatic-reply e-mail that you'll be back on Tuesday. Come back on Monday and take the day to settle in and gather the information you need to deal with the messages. If you must take the BlackBerry on vacation, don't carry it on you.

The new drug of choice for young professionals is easily recognizable by the symptoms: a buzzing or ringing triggers a Pavlovian response. The user sits upright, face tense with anticipation, and reaches into her pocket or purse. The delivery device is produced, buttons pressed, and sweet release follows.

It's the CrackBerry, and it can take over your life.

Heather Clarke, 24, has bravely stepped out of the shadows of BlackBerry addiction. The Bedford resident uses her pink BlackBerry for her work at a Halifax design firm, and for personal use.

"I'm obsessed. I can't go anywhere without it, and I have never once shut it off," she confesses. "I can be across the room from it, but when I hear the chime, I have to go straight over."

And it chimes a lot. She has six e-mail accounts flowing into it, as well as Facebook and BlackBerry Messenger. Oh, and it accepts phone calls, too.

"It does get obsessive," Clarke admits. "You don't realize how addicted you are until someone suggests leaving it at home, or even in another room. That just doesn't happen."

She sees some advantages, though, as it means she doesn't have to hang around the office after hours, waiting for an important phone call.

Beverly Beuermann-King, a stress and wellness expert, has advice for addicts.

She says the first step is to have a frank discussion with yourself: is your always-on habit the result of employer pressure, or is it something inside you?

"If it's you, then you need to check your work-life balance. Is it a personality thing where you continually need to be working, and you're doing so to the detriment of your family?" asks the renowned Ontario-based speaker. "If it's an employer, you need to talk to them about the benefits of getting away and how to get away without taking the technology with you."

So when you take time off work, take time off the BlackBerry, too.

"You feel that vibration and even if you try to ignore it, there's that constant reminder it's there," she cautions.

"So I would say, What's the worse thing that could happen if you don't take it with you to the beach? It's really about taking control of it. Just because we can be connected 24 hours a day doesn't mean that we should be."

Beuermann-King knows people who sleep with their BlackBerry under their pillow. This is not good.

"We really need to start understanding the value of sleep time, of vacation time, of family time," she says.

And return the favour. If you e-mail a fellow CrackBerry user and they don't respond within 63 seconds, let it go. They might be doing something important. Like lying on the beach.

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Ignorance may lead to a paid vacation

WorkplaceLaw



Ignorance may be real. But sometimes it leads to a paid vacation.

Fraught with personal problems, when busy season at work hit, equipment operator Brad Smith had little tolerance left. Despite supportive co-workers and comfortable patterns, a last-minute request to work overtime pushed Smith over the workplace ledge. Deciding that he needed time off work, Smith spoke to his supervisor, seeking assurance that he could leave. The response was swift: Smith was told to do "what you gotta do."

Believing this statement meant that he could simply pack up and leave, Smith left work — without indicating when he would return.

Without knowing where Smith was, and having failed in its various attempts to contact him, Smith's employer, the City of Ramara, considered Smith's absence to be misconduct and fired him. Smith responded by suing for wrongful dismissal.

At trial, Ramara argued that it had taken appropriate steps to reach Smith and that it didn't have a duty to chase down an absent employee. But an Ontario court recently disagreed. Although Smith's hasty departure was irresponsible, Ramara did not have a written policy on vacation scheduling and its efforts to communicate with Smith while he was away were deemed haphazard by the judge. Ramara could have found Smith had it made the appropriate inquires, ruled the court.

Most importantly, the law of dismissal requires a consideration of context. Smith's actions, however foolish, were judged against his unblemished employment history and the personal problems he faced at the time.

The lessons are clear:

- Workplace absenteeism should be judged against whether there is a history of similar problems, whether warnings were given and whether a policy specifically defines what the employee ought to have done.
- If a workplace policy exists, follow it with conviction. Flexibility in how a policy is interpreted may limit its enforcement value.
- Always consider any mitigating factors in determining whether, or what type of, discipline should be imposed. Don't learn of them, for the first time, after an employee has been fired.

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independent living

Casting call Neptune Theatre is looking for three men between 18 and 30 to play the roles of Palestinian brothers in its production of Ilan Hatsor's play Masked. For more information, e-mail lbrown@neptunetheatre.com

Entertainment



Breaking up

Red Hot Chili Peppers frontman Anthony Kiedis, left, and his girlfriend Heather Christie have ended their relationship of more than three years. PEOPLE.COM

The ball's Bouncing her way

Canadian singer Kreesha Turner brings her success to Summer Rush 2008

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The word "bounce" has played a big role in the life of Edmonton-raised singer Kreesha Turner.

It was after she won a local talent competition on radio station The Bounce that the R & B and pop singer got to record her first hit, the catchy Bounce With Me.

The single has been used over the last year in a number of TV programs — including Gossip Girls.

"They don't tell me when the song gets picked up," said the 23-year-old. She was at home in Edmonton watching TV when she heard her song on the show. "My brothers were upstairs and they came running down.

"It is always a surprise," added Turner, who visited Halifax earlier this year on a publicity tour.

The singer — she recently had a second success with Don't Call Me Baby — is back in town this weekend as part of Z103.5 Summer Rush 2008.

Taking place Saturday, it will also feature Nelly, Jesse McCartney, C+C Music Factory and a number of other artists.

With the success of Bounce With Me, Turner is excited for the public to hear the rest of her debut album, Passion.

"I feel like Bounce With Me, out of all the songs on the album, is the most poppiest," Kreesha said. "The other songs show these other influences that I have. It is very jazzy. I listen to a lot of old-school music."

Turner spent nearly a year recording Passion — the release date has been pushed back until August — and got to work with music manager Chris Smith.

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Kreesha Turner

"I was standing in the cereal aisle in the grocery store when he called," she said. "I was so worried that I wasn't going to hear properly, I was standing near the Cheerios making sure I could here everything he was going to say."

Rush on down

What: Summer Rush 2008
Where: Alderney Landing
When: Saturday, 4 p.m.
Tickets: $33.90. Visit www.ticketpro.ca



Kreesha Turner appears with Nelly and Jesse McCartney next weekend at Summer Rush 2008.

PHOTO BY DEAN LISK



Members of Samba Nova march down Spring Garden Road.

The jazz marches on

About 1,000 people lined Spring Garden Road on Saturday to watch the Atlantic Jazz Festival's annual kick-off parade. Here's what's happening today and tomorrow:

TODAY

•Mainstage Tent: Duane Andrews and Bjorn Thorddsen, and Gypsophilia. 8 p.m. $20 and $30.

•Commons Room: Hilario Duran Trio. 9 p.m. $25 and $32.

•Stayner's Wharf: Laila Biali Trio. 11:30 p.m. $10.

•1313 Hollis: Matt Brubeck. 9 p.m. $15 and $20. Free daytime Concerts: Shan Arsenault, Allsorts, Young Players Series, NSCC Latin R&B Ensemble, Barriomatic Trust, and Rick Waychesko. Noon, free.

TOMORROW

•Mainstage Tent: Rachid Taha and KOJO. 8 p.m. $20 and $30.

•Commons Room: David Virelles Quintet, Andy Milne and Gregoire Maret. 9 p.m. $25 and $32.

Stayner's Wharf: Restivo Gatti Roach. 11:30 p.m. $10.

•1313 Hollis: Matt Brubeck. 9 p.m. $15 and $20.

•Cathedral Church of All Saints: Sanctuary with Ken Shorley. 7 p.m. $15 and $20. Free daytime concerts: Joe Murphy and the Water Street Blues Band, Blown Gasket Orchestra, and Scott Tiller Trio. Noon, free.

For more information or to buy tickets, visit online at *www.jazzeast.com.*

METRO HALIFAX

Rosie's cruise makes stop in town

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Canadians are lucky, and Kelli O'Donnell hopes they know it.

"If not, we will tell them," said the life partner of former talk show host Rosie O'Donnell. She, Ro — as she refers to her — their kids, and more than 2,000 passengers will visit Halifax on Wednesday when the Norwegian Dawn makes a port of call in the city.

"It is one of our most requested stops if we are going to make an East Coast trip," said O'Donnell. She co-founded the company with the actress, along with travel entrepreneur Gregg Kaminsky in 2003.

"Canada is perceived really positively, because you guys were really seen as pioneers in the gay-marriage front. I think — as far as the perception of Canada — we wish we could have the same thing here across the board."

This will be the second time the couple visits Halifax as part of their same-sex family-oriented R Family Vacations cruises. In 2005, the O'Donnells were guests of honour at a reception hosted by Mayor Peter Kelly at the Halifax Citadel.



Kelli and Rosie O'Donnell say Halifax remains one of their most requested stops when their cruise takes an Atlantic trip.

A number of the passengers were married during the cruise's stop in Halifax, and O'Donnell expects many will exchange vows on this trip — as well as in Massachusetts, where it is also stopping and same-sex unions are legal. "It was just a really warm and welcoming place," O'Donnell said of Halifax. "It makes a tremendous difference to know that it is a gay-friendly city that is welcoming our families."

In 2004, an R. Family Vacations cruise was picketed by members of the local Christian community in the Bahamas.

While a number of resorts and cruises cater to gay singles, she notes R Family Vacations is one of the few LGBT vacation companies that caters to couples and their children.

"Gay families seem to have more in common with straight families than they do with the gay community," said the former Nickelodeon marketing executive.

"It is a great thing to be able to walk on the deck, hold your partner's hand, and also to be able to share that experience with your children."

Destination Halifax, which markets the city, hosted a small group of gay journalists from the United Sates earlier this year.



Fancy Pants Former Spice Girl Victoria Beckham's plans to launch a men's line of her jeans collection have been put on hold after retailers were unwilling to stock it. THE DAILY MAIL

The case against Bush

True crime author argues U.S. president can be charged with murder

After having three of his books reach No. 1 on the New York Times best-sellers list, Vincent Bugliosi was dismayed his latest received a virtual "black-out" from the mainstream media.

That's because The Prosecution of George W. Bush for Murder lays out the legal case — citing evidence and establishing the jurisdiction of U.S. prosecutors — to seek an indictment against America's 43rd chief executive for the deaths of more than 4,000 U.S. soldiers in Iraq.

Bugliosi, whose 11 books include true crime stories Helter Skelter and Outrage, said the usual routine once a new book was released has been to fly to New York for a host of national television interviews.

"For this one, I did not go to New York City because not one single national television or cable show would have me on. It was a total, complete blackout. My publicist said that in her over 30 years in the business, she had never seen a book blacked out like this before," Bugliosi, 73, said in an interview.

ABC Radio even turned down his publisher's effort to buy time on the network. Worse, his publisher couldn't find a U.S. company willing to produce an audio version of the book.

When filmmaker David Burke sought to do a documentary based on the book, not a single U.S. investor could be found. It was left to Jim Shaban, an entrepreneur in Windsor, Ont., to bankroll the project, which is nearing completion.

Peter Miller, Bugliosi's long-time literary manager and executive producer of the documentary, said the difficulty in finding a publisher and the subsequent reaction by the mainstream media should never have happened, considering that Bugliosi is among the most famous former prosecutors in the U.S. "He's not just some left-wing nut. But there were a lot of publishers who were just plain scared of it," Miller said.

Vanguard Press publisher Roger Cooper said he expected some reluctance from the media when it was released six months ago, because of the book's "controversial" nature.

Despite the lack of coverage, The Prosecution of George W. Bush for Murder has been on the Times best-sellers list for the past five weeks. But Cooper said it only got there through unconventional means — a word-of-mouth "grassroots" campaign, an Internet advertising effort by Vanguard and Bugliosi's pugnacious determination.

"Without any television or national radio coverage, the book managed to climb up the best-sellers list and be talked about in a `viral' way that I think is one of the new ways that we have to look at publishing books," Cooper said.

A story in The New York Times last week about the book's poor reception finally prompted CNN and MSNBC to talk to Bugliosi.

Bugliosi said he means every word of his carefully researched tome and hopes a U.S. prosecutor will have the courage to seek an indictment when Bush he leaves office next year.

"It's certainly the most powerful, explosive true-crime book I've ever written. It's identical to every other true-crime book I've ever written, in that I present the evidence, plus the applicable law, to prove my point," Bugliosi said.

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GETTY IMAGES FILE

Author Vincent Bugliosi makes a legal case for the prosecution of U.S. President George W. Bush.

Legal case

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Hellboy II: The Golden Army is No.1 at the box office.

Box office

The Top 10 films at the North American box office for the weekend beginning July 11:

1. **Hellboy II: The Golden Army:** $35.9 million US
2. **Hancock:** $33 million
3. **Journey to the Center of the Earth:** $20.6 million
4. **WALL-E:** $18.5 million
5. **Wanted:** $11.6 million
6. **Get Smart:** $7.1 million
7. **Meet Dave:** $5.3 million
8. **Kung Fu Panda:** $4.3 million
9. **Kit Kittredge: An American Girl:** $2.4 million
10. **Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull:** $2.3 million

REUTERS

Work underway on sequel to Sex And The City movie

FILM After months of idle talk, HBO has confirmed that a sequel to the Sex and the City movie is in the early stages of development, ew.com reports.

The news comes as no surprise, considering the first spin-off from the series has earned $146 million US since it debuted in theaters at the end of May.

Michael Lombardo, president of HBO's programming group, told a group of reporters at the cable network's annual press tour in Los Angeles yesterday, "We're really heartened by the fans' enthusiasm. Absolutely, there is a lot of energy behind doing another SATC movie."

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spinoff

Priestley denies return to 90210

PEOPLE Jason Priestley has refuted reports he will be returning to Beverly Hills, 90210 in the new spin-off series, imdb.com reports.

Filming is currently underway to bring the show back to small screens, with stars Jennie Garth and Tori Spelling reprising their original roles.

But Priestley, who played Brandon Walsh in the series, insists he has declined offers from network CW to appear in the new show.

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Singer Katy Perry has defended her beau, Gym Class Heroes front man Travis McCoy, who was arrested recently for third-degree assault after allegedly striking an audience member in the head with his mike. "There are definitely two sides to every story and you always have to take (that) into account," Perry said. **USMAGAZINE.COM**

Mariah single up for online remix

MUSIC Professionals and amateurs alike will have the chance to remix the third single from Mariah Carey's platinum-plus album E=MC2 via a contest hosted on a startup social network Web site for musicians, Billboard has learned.

Starting July 15, the complete stems of I'll Be Lovin' U Long Time, from Carey's Island release, will be made available to the members of Indaba Music, an online community for aspiring and established producers and artists.

REUTERS

In brief

PEOPLE Lord Of The Rings star Sir Ian McKellen says he has received death threats in the past because of his sexuality, BBC News Online reports. Speaking on the Andrew Marr Show, the actor said the number of threats had "declined considerably" in recent years. "I think I've become rather boring to the public at large on this particular issue," McKellen said.

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Substance of wallpaper style

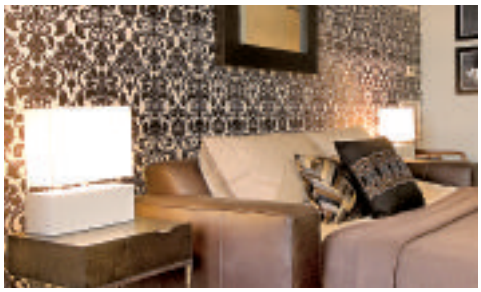
InteriorDivine



Last week, in our two part paint and paper guide, we covered paint so, by clever deduction, that means this week we're focussing on wallpaper. Constantly heralded as "on the way back," we're going to focus less on what's hot and what's not, and turn our attentions instead to the hard facts of paper types.

Lining Paper:
Comes in several gauges, and is an effective way to even bumpy surfaces. The thicker the paper the more problems it will conceal. Designed to be painted or papered over with your final choice of finish.

Vinyl and vinyl backed:
Great for kitchens and bathrooms as both are washable and water-resistant.



Wallpaper is available in a multitude of looks and textures.

Paintable plain wallpaper:
Comes in a variety of imprinted textures and, again, great for covering irregular walls. Can be painted to suit your scheme.

Foils:
These are available in a wide variety of choices (from retro to modern) and, due to their construction are often water resistant.

Flocked wallpaper:
While interesting, these are subject to fashion flux and also hard to clean. Good in low traffic areas where they'll attract less dust. We tend to limit applications to 'accent walls'. Tip: Pick out a background colour (or a softer tone thereof) for other walls.

Wood chip:
Torture to remove, so be warned! Dated and really only good to cover especially rough surfaces.

Relief:
Press printed with a raised pattern and available in loads of designs. Some have their own colour scheme while others are designed to be painted. Easy to hang and will disguise surface imperfections due to "raised" nature.

Colin & Justin's The Home Show airs Tuesdays at 9 p.m., Saturdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. ET on HGTV. www.hgtv.ca

top 10 wallpaper tips



1. Think twice and buy once! Head to your supplier and sign out pattern books to see how each paper looks.
2. Get tooled up! Assemble sharp scissors, plumb 'drop cord', a pasting table, a large brush and sponges to wipe down after each strip has been hung.
3. Small floral designs, from our experience, date more quickly so exercise caution when choosing.
4. Be careful with outsized designs and motifs — these are best in generous spaces. Bigger repeats can shrink smaller spaces.
5. Stripe strife! Many rooms aren't completely square, so striped paper may not line up with doors and trim. Use a spirit level to analyse your room and adjust paper accordingly.
6. For hallways and high traffic zones, opt for patterned washable wallpaper to disguise finger prints and scuffs.
7. Look for 'paste the wall' papers. As the name suggests, adhesive is applied directly to the wall as opposed to the paper. Cuts out lots of work!
8. While hanging, rub a lightly dampened sponge across paper to remove surplus adhesive that would otherwise detract from finished results.
9. To ensure you don't run out, overbuy and — with prior agreement — return unopened rolls.
10. Buy paper with the same 'batch number' to ensure shading is identical throughout your project.







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Casting TNT has added Scott Bakula, right, to the cast of Men Of A Certain Age. Joining Ray Romano and Andre Braugher in the drama pilot about three old college buddies, Bakula will play Terry Elliott, an actor dating a much younger woman. **TVGUIDE.COM**



DVDs to carry anti-smoking ads

FILM INDUSTRY Six major Hollywood film studios agreed on Friday to place anti-smoking ads on new movie DVDs targeted to children in a bid to counter the influence of tobacco use on screen. The studios joined forces with California health authorities in what was called an unprecedented agreement to protect children from the risks of smoking.

Under the deal, Sony Pictures, Universal Studios, Warner Bros., Paramount Pictures, Walt Disney Studios and Twentieth Century Fox will include anti-smoking advertisements in the opening minutes of DVDs of all new movies with smoking scenes that are rated G, PG and PG-13.

Those ratings are used to designate a film as being aimed primarily at kids. The anti-smoking commercials, produced by California's Tobacco Control Program, also will be targeted at children.

The ad will first be seen on the Sony DVD of 21 — a PG-13 drama about a casino scam.

"Placing these ads on DVDs will remind viewers that movies are fiction but the damage smoking does is real," said Lisa Paulsen, president of the Entertainment Industry Foundation, which aims to raise awareness of health and social issues.

Health campaigners have battled with the movie industry for years to reduce smoking on screen, especially in films aimed at the youth market.

Recent research cited by the nonprofit group American Legacy said tobacco was featured in 75 per cent of movies rated G, PG and PG-13. Walt Disney last year became the first major Hollywood studio to ban depictions of smoking in its family-oriented Disney-branded films. **REUTERS**

In brief

ARRESTED Josh Brolin was arrested on Saturday after a bar brawl in Louisiana, imdb.com reports. The actor was on a break from shooting his role as George W. Bush for Oliver Stone's upcoming biopic W, when he allegedly got involved in a bar fight. According to The Shreveport Times, the actor, as well as W co-star Jeffrey Wright, were arrested for trying to impede police who were splitting up the brawl. The pair received misdemeanour charges for interfering with police, according to Usweekly.com. Brolin was charged at the city jail and was forced to pay a $334 US cash bond.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Grey's Dr. Stevens on life support?

IntelleVision



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IN CRITICAL CONDITION: Nothing perks up ratings — at least for a week or two, usually timed to coincide with sweeps week – than a death in the family. After her very public protest about the quality of the scripts she's been getting on Grey's Anatomy — manifested by taking herself out of the running for an Emmy nomination — Katherine Heigl has apparently put herself on life support, according to an E! Online story.

"It's not good there," a source told the E! reporter, talking about the Grey's Anatomy set. "Shonda is pissed. They're thinking of killing her off. They want Izzie dead."

Grey's creator Shonda Rhimes is, we're meant to understand, miffed about Heigl's protest, and is considering the exit of Dr. Isobel "Izzie" Stevens, her character, possibly during an outbreak of Ebola at Seattle Grace, or in a tragic blender accident.

Heigl's career has migrated from the small to the large screen with movies like Knocked Up and 27 Dresses, so it's not unfair to imagine that her Emmy rebuff was simply a calculated attempt to slip the bonds of whatever contract she might have with Rhimes and Grey's producers.

Tellingly, the E! story dutifully reported the sort of ritual exchange that inevitably suggest that the gears are grinding away while pretending otherwise:

"A rep for Rhimes said, 'I haven't heard anything about that.' Reps for Heigl and ABC declined to comment."

In Hollywood, if someone declines to comment about you, it means you should start packing — or running.



Actress Katherine Heigl plays Dr. Isobel "Izzie" Stevens on Grey's Anatomy.

HB-WOE: HBO was the network that made quality cable, but that's two whole seasons and a hundred cultural years in the past, so it's about time for the network to make some concrete moves toward redemption before they're choking in the dust that FX, Showtime and AMC — AMC! Who could have seen that in an age before Mad Men? — is kicking up as they tear across the TV salt flats.

A Hollywood Reporter story last week announced three new shows from the network — Treme, a drama set in post-Katrina New Orleans from The Wires David Simon and Eric Overmeyer, The Washingtonienne, a comedy based on a recent sex scandal in the U.S. capitol to be executive produced by Sarah Jessica Parker, and a drama set in '20s Atlantic City from Martin Scorsese and Sopranos writer Terrence Winter.

The network also confirmed that — act shocked — the proposed pair of Deadwood movies aren't happening, but they'd be — OK, make the "duh" face here — real happy to see a Sopranos movie or a Sex And The City 2.

And while we're at it, can celery taste like barbecue chips and puppies stay little forever?

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

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7/14/08 primetime	31	31	31 ABC	News (N)	ABC News	Inside	Chronicle	The Bachelor		Mole		The Mole
	7	7	7 ASN	Twice in a Lifetime		Fortune	Jeopardy!	The Bachelor		Two Men	Big Bang	Comedy
	11	11	11 CBC	Coronatn	Count	Maria	City	The Border		National		The Hour
	2	2	2 CBC-F	Providence (SC)		Des squel	Petite vie	Chère Betty (SC)		France		Téléjourn
	32	32	32 CBS	News (N)	CBS News	Insider	Entertain	Big Bang	How I Met	Two Men	Big Bang	CSI: Miami
	69	69	69 CFTM	TVA 18h	Sucré-salé	Qui perd gagne (SC)		L Cadieux	Filles	Monk (HDTV) (SC)		TVA 22h
	6	6	6 CIHF	Entertain	ET	Risk Takers		Bones		House "Ugly"		News (N)
	9	9	9 CJCH	eTalk	Degrassi	Canadian Idol			Robson	CSI: Miami		News (N)
	10	10	10 ELTV	EastLink	Women's Soccer: Premiership					News	EastLink Television	
	36	36	36 FOX	Simpsons	King-Hill	Two Men	Two Men	Bones		House "Ugly"		Fox First
	12	12	12 NBC	News (N)	NBC News	Hollywood	Extra (N)	American Gladiators		Nashville Star		Dateline
	29	29	29 NW	BBC News	Business	News (N)	Count	The Hour		National		Man
	4	4	4 PBS-B	News-Lehrer		Boston	Chronicles	Antiques Roadshow		History Detectives (N)		Conquist.
	35	35	35 PBS-D	News-Lehrer		Business	BBC News	Antiques Roadshow		History Detectives (N)		Churchill
	68	68	68 TQS	Simpson	Flash	Catherine	3 x rien	CSI: NY (SC)		Faut voir	Sexy Cam	110 p c
news	23	96	96 BNN	Stars	Business News		Market	Money	Lululess	Squeeze Play		Market
	18	18	18 CNN	The Situation Room		Lou Dobbs Tonight		CNN Election Center		Larry King Live		Cooper
sports	54	54	54 GOLF	British Open		British Open		Top 10	GolfCentrl	British Open 2000		The Turn
	52	52	52 RSE	Prime Time Sports		Jays	Connected	MLB Baseball 2008 State Farm Home Run Derby.				
	55	55	55 SCOR	Drive This	Game On	RaceNight				WWE Monday Night Raw		
	45	45	45 SPD	Unique Whips		Pinks	Pass Time	NASCAR Week		101 Cars	Car Crazy	Auctions
	53	53	53 TSN	Off-Record	Sports	Billiards		PartyPoker.net Women's World Open				Sports
family	43	43	43 FAM	Zoey 101	Life Derek	So Raven	Smart Guy	Suite Life	Sadie	Montana	Life Derek	School
	44	44	44 TOON	6teen	Johnny T	George	Melodies	Loonatics	6teen	Total Dra	Futurama	Batman
	26	26	26 TREE	Fifi	Backyard	Pets	Nght Grdn	Wiggles	Franklin	Little Bear	Spider	Couch
	27	27	27 YTV	Drake	iCarly	Malcolm	Prank Ptrl	King of the Camp (2008, Musical)				Falcon
cable variety	16	16	16 A&E	Intervention		Intervention		Intervention		Intervention (N)		Psychic
	70	70	70 APTN	First Talk	News	La piqure	Desti	Notre Peuple		Moccasin Flats: Redemption		
	50	50	50 BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live			Hell Date	Soul Plane ★★ (2004, Comedy)				Comicview
	37	37	37 BRVO	Street Legal		Cirque-Soleil		Drumline ★★★ (2002, Comedy-Drama)				
	60	97	97 CLT	Help TV		The West Wing		For King and Empire		Decoding the Past		Traders
	25	25	25 CMT	Dedicated		Bon Jovi Unplugged		Bon Jovi: One on One		Reba	Hope	Home Imp.
	49	49	49 COM	Laughs	Mercer	Air Farce	22 Min	Laughs	Corner	Simpsons	S. Park	Jon Dore
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	38	38	38 DISC	Worst Driver		Daily Planet		MythBusters		Really Big Things		Dirty Jobs
	34	48	48 HGTV	Holmes on Homes		House	Property	Design U	Home to	Property	House	Location
	46	46	46 HIST	Disasters	Mastrmnd	NCIS		M.O.D. X-Files		Fire in the Sky ★★ (1993)		
	17	17	17 MM	Punk'd	Trial	Best Dance Crew		MuchTopTens		Much	NewMusic	Punch
	19	19	19 MMM	Profile	mmmtop10.com		NoseDive	Tip	Tip	Listed		Kid Star
	201	201	201 M1	(6:15) Nacho Libre		Stargate Atlantis		Stargate Atlantis (N)		Californ	Californ	Penn
	48	23	23 OLN	Don't Forget		Departures		Cycling Tour de France Stage 10. (N)				
	51	51	51 PEACH	Friends	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Friends	Friends	The Cookout ★ (2004)		
	206	206	206 PIX	Babar: King of the Elephants			(8:20) White Lies (1998)			Do the Right Thing (1989)		
	67	67	67 RDI	RDI en direct (SC)		Actualité	400 fois	Grands reportages		Le Téléjournal (SC)		Actualité
	39	39	39 SHOW	Trailer	Billable	ReGenesis		Cold Squad		Trailer	Billable	Damages
	40	40	40 SLICE	Skin Deep	OpenSoon	End Leash	Debt Part	End Leash	Spoiled	Wed SOS	Party	Match
	47	47	47 SPACE	Relic Hunter		Stargate SG-1		Star Trek: Voyager		Taken "Acid Test" (DVS)		
	14	14	14 SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI
	57	98	98 STAR	In Fashion	Star Treat	Look Like	Hollywood	TMZ	eTalk	Scott Baio	Old Skool	Tonight
	21	21	21 TLC	What Not to Wear		Little	Little	Jon Kate	Jon Kate	Jon Kate	Jon Kate	Nanny
	56	34	34 TROP	Are You Smarter		Deal-No Deal		ET	What	X-Weighted		Smarter
	20	20	20 TV5	Champion	J'rnal FR2	Toute une histoire		Palais d'Europe		Palais	Cartes	Passez
	28	28	28 V	Doc		Murder, She Wrote		Minister	Wait God	McLeod's Daughters		Restorat
	22	22	22 W	Shopping	House	Will-Grace	Friends	How Clean	House	Colour	Divine	How Clean
	251	251	251 WGN	My Wife	Jim	Two Men	Fam. Guy	Gossip Girl		One Tree Hill		News

critics' corner

Drumline

Not just for former band geeks (you know who you are), this feel-good 2002 drama follows a gifted drummer (Nick Cannon) from Harlem who becomes a member of a college marching band. He must overcome his self-doubts to help the rest of his musical team succeed. Has someone been reading your yearbooks, band geeks? Orlando Jones, Zoe Saldana and Leonard Roberts also star. 9 PM on BRAVO



Stargate Atlantis

There's a new guy in charge, but he looks awfully familiar. Richard Woolsey (Robert Picardo) takes command of the Atlantis expedition as the series begins its fifth season. This will mean some adjustment for Sheppard, McKay, Teyla (Joe Flanigan, David Hewlett, Rachel Luttrell) and the rest of the crew. Other familiar faces who'll make appearances this season include Dr. Beckett (Paul McGillion) and Col. Carter (Amanda Tapping). 9 PM on M1

CSI: Miami

This is why you should say no to drugs. A man suspected of carjacking turns up dead, and Horatio (David Caruso) and his team discover the dead man may have had ties to a powerful and dangerous drug lord involved in an offshore smuggling operation. Emily Procter, Adam Rodriguez, Khandi Alexander and Jonathan Togo also star in "Kill Switch." 10 PM on CJCH; 11 PM on CBS

Do the Right Thing

The film that put director Spike Lee on the map, this 1989 social commentary focuses on one summer day in Brooklyn. Everybody's testy from the heat, and the ethnic and racial tensions escalate into one giant explosion. Ossie Davis, Lee, Ruby Dee, Danny Aiello, John Turturro, Rosie Perez and Samuel L. Jackson star. 10 PM on PIX

Couplings The Rolling Stones' Ronnie Wood has reportedly run off with an 18-year-old cocktail waitress he met at an escort bar three months ago. Ekaterina Ivanova is said to be telling friends she is linked to the 61-year-old guitarist and falling in love. **TMZ.COM**

Celebrity Buzz

Jolie good: It's boy, girl

TWINS Brad Pitt was at Angelina Jolie's side as she gave birth to a son and daughter Saturday at La Fondation Lenval hospital in Nice, France, People has confirmed.

"The babies are doing well. The operation went just perfectly," Dr. Michael Sussmann told People on Sunday. "Angelina is in very good spirits. Brad Pitt was at her side.

He was there and all was well." Sussmann confirmed the Nice Matin newspaper report that Jolie gave birth to a boy, Knox Leon, and a girl, Vivienne Marcheline, by caeserean section on Saturday night. Knox weighed in 5.03 lbs, and Vivienne 5 lbs. Pitt never left Jolie's side — "he was my assistant!" Sussmann said jokingly — and even cut the babies' umbilical cords.

"He was ... perfectly calm, totally determined, very pleased to be at the birth of his children, very moved and very emotional," said Sussmann.

Asked whether the birth had been a textbook delivery, Sussmann replied, "absolutely no problems." The twins are the fifth and sixth children for Jolie, 33, and partner Brad Pitt, 44, who are already parents to Maddox, 6; Pax, 4; Zahara, 3; and Shiloh, 2. "The mother and father are very, very happy," Sussmann said.

He said that the caeserean was moved forward "for medical reasons" so that the babies could be born "in the best conditions." He also said Jolie is expected to stay in the hospital for a few days.

The actual arrival comes weeks after it was erroneously reported that Jolie and Pitt had welcomed twin girls, Isla Marcheline and Amélie Jane, named in honor of the A-listers' own parents (Jolie's late mother was named Marcheline; Pitt's is Jane). **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



T.O. reunion for A-Rod, daughter

VISIT Alex Rodriguez, who was in Toronto with the Yankees for a three-game weekend set against the Blue Jays, was reunited with his wife Cynthia (right) and his older daughter Natasha on Friday, where the trio dined at a downtown steakhouse. Last week, Cynthia Rodriguez filed for divorce amid rumours of an affair between Alex and Madonna. "Alex and Cynthia are going through really difficult times," A-Rod's attorney Alan Kluger tells Us magazine. "All of their decisions are going to be based upon what's in the best interest of their daughters."



A source told Usmagazine.com that the couple's other child, 11-week-old Ella, stayed home with an ear infection. "It's not a great idea for [Ella] to fly," says the source. "But the older daughter was in Toronto with him this weekend. She flew there with her mom." Cynthia Rodriguez told the New York Post Thursday that her family is "devastated" by their split. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

celebrity brief

Roberts to guest star on 24 alongside ex?

TELEVISION She left him at the altar in 1991 and took up with his best friend Jason Patric, but according to starmagazine.com, Julia Roberts is finally making it up to Kiefer Sutherland — by making a rare TV appearance on his hit show 24.

Amid rumours that this season may be superagent Jack Bauer's last, Sutherland wants to go out with a bang by nabbing big stars like Roberts, says an insider. The ex-lovers have remained in touch despite their history. Says the insider, "I wouldn't say they're BFFs, but they are friends." **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS



'I'm over it': Ifans on Sienna Miller

BREAKUP Actor Rhys Ifans is ready to move on with his life after splitting from Sienna Miller. He tells Britain's The People newspaper, "I've forgotten about Sienna, trust me. F**k Sienna, I'm over it. I'm having a great time. I won't be going for any more wrong 'uns (ones) though. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

celebrity brief

Keys frontrunner for Bond theme

SOUNDTRACK Alicia Keys is being eyed as the frontrunner to sing the title track for the new James Bond movie Quantum of Solace. According to E! News, Alicia faced some stiff competition, including Beyoncé, Duran Duran and Annie Lennox. Nothing's official yet, but a source tells E!, "I believe Alicia is the winner." The next 007 feature is headed for theatres in November. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Alba dishes about marriage, motherhood in interview

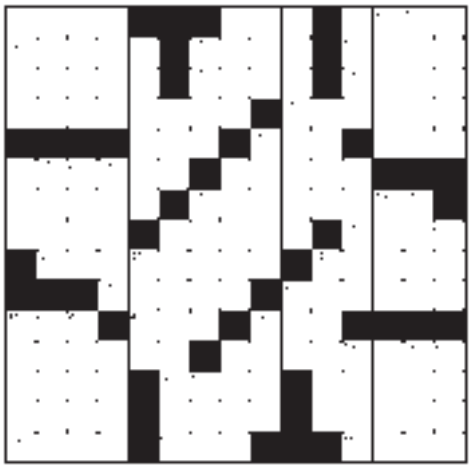


MOTHERHOOD In the August U.K. edition of Cosmopolitan, Jessica Alba gets real about her pregnancy, admitting that she didn't exactly love the weight gain that came with it. "I never felt less sexy," Jessica tells the magazine. "I mean, I wouldn't have changed it for the world ... but I wanted to get rid of all the weight." Alba gave birth to daughter Honor Marie last month and opened up about her marriage to Cash Warren. "I never thought I'd find a man before 30, let alone marry him and have his baby," she said. "We're not a typical Hollywood couple. I love that he's not an actor. I'm too high-maintenance to be in a relationship with an actor." **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Generous Tipping Actor Martin Lawrence, right, left a $120 US tip at Musashi Japanese restaurant in Simi Valley, Calif., after dining there with two other guests and drawing a bill of $140. TMZ.COM

Take Five



Crossword across

1 Makes a choice
5 Shady
8 Chatters away
12 Nearer the facts
14 Muslim mystic
15 Pavarotti piece
16 "The Velvet Fog"
17 — du jour
18 Vote
19 Dignitary
21 Universe
23 Thunder Bay prov.
24 Electrical unit
25 Cool — — cucumber
26 Open to all
30 Brown birds
32 Typical
33 Cruise departures
36 DEA operative
37 Wassailers' tune
38 Dots in the Seine
40 New students
42 Delight in
43 Meatloaf servings
44 Pint-size
45 Pouch
48 Ms. Merkel
49 — for the course
50 Gridiron gear
52 Mist
57 Where India is
58 DeMille genre
60 One-moon planet
61 Person with vows
62 Starlet's dream
63 Wild time
64 — — speed
65 Perm follow-up
66 Venomous snakes

This day in history

JULY 14, 1223: Louis VIII becomes King of France upon the death of his father, Philip II of France.
JULY 14, 1798: The Sedition Act becomes United States law making it a federal crime to write, publish, or utter false or malicious statements about the United States government.
JULY 14, 1933: Gleichschaltung: In Germany, all political parties are outlawed except the Nazi Party.
JULY 14, 1965: Mariner 4 flyby of Mars takes the first close-up photos of another planet.

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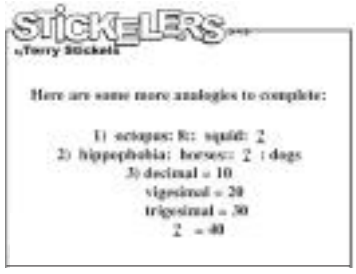
Crossword down

1 Sarge's pooch
2 Faculty mem.
3 Surf partner
4 It may jackknife
5 Overcast
6 — — tree falls in ...
7 Songwriter Joni —
8 Barks
9 Bakery lure
10 Metric pounds
11 Hot dip
13 Kick back
14 Petty quarrel
20 Business mag
22 Former science magazine
24 Easy-to-find constellation
26 Word play
27 Flyboy's org.
28 Perry Mason portrayer
29 Shoestrings
30 Merchandise
31 Nasty
33 Ballroom dance
34 Soft light
35 Dried up
37 Sports fans, often
39 Visit
41 Fishtail
42 Hawks' nests
44 La —, Bolivia
45 Sea World whale
46 Fable writer
47 Dirty Harry
49 Tempo
51 Warm-water shark
52 Knife handle
53 AutoZone competitor
54 Makes a mistake
55 Type of ladder
56 Hens and mares
59 "The Raven" poet

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previous day's answer





Friday's answer

MARRIED PASTELS
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Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
A fantasy about love will cause gloomy dreams. You'll be picking up the pieces after a magical experience. Someone is acting frenzied.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
As soon as you let go, plans will take shape. Political talk causes a quarrel. Someone makes a heartfelt confession.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Use your mind to find independence. Weather conditions cause a conflict. A breathtaking lesson is learned.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
A protester ridicules shrewdness. Be good-natured even with a grouch. You'll benefit from casting off your inhibitions.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
Someone is pretending that all is well. You must ignore an appalling deed. A man comes in handy when a problem arises.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Running wild dispels tedium. An elder makes accusations. Nobody wants to help out a sad person, except you.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
You'll find a pattern amidst chaos. You'll overhear someone's rowdy plans. There'll be dreams about wrongdoing.

SCORPIO
OCT 24- NOV 22
Ignore the failures of the past. Try harder to please yourself. Someone is playing around with double-talk.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23- DEC 21
A dreadful drama is discovered by a hypocrite. A conflict over a miscalculation ends well. Don't fret about a crook.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
You can excite someone by making a call. The cause of a disturbance is exposed. Astonishing messages are due to arrive.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
Everything will work out for the best. The good life will get better. You'll witness a quick withdrawal after an arrogant remark.

PISCES
FEB 19-MAR 20
Gossip comes and goes while meaning nothing. Stick to the facts just for a laugh. Prepare for work to compete with romance.

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4	1	8		2	3			

Sudoku

INSTRUCTIONS:
The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

previous day's answer

3	1	9	5	6	7	2	8	4
5	4	2	8	9	3	7	1	6
7	6	8	4	1	2	5	9	3
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2	9	5	3	8	1	6	4	7
4	7	6	9	2	5	8	3	1
6	3	1	2	7	9	4	5	8
8	2	7	1	5	4	3	6	9
9	5	4	6	3	8	1	7	2

SOLVE TIME IN MINUTES:
Under 13 Genius
13-17 Scholar
17-21 Smart
21-25 Not bad
25+ Keep practicing

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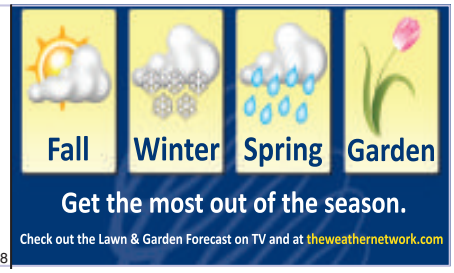
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60% Showers. 22°	40% Showers. 17°	Partly cloudy. 24°/ 16°	40% Showers. 24°/ 17°	Partly cloudy. 26°/ 15°

Temperature
Normals
High: 21.8°
Low: 13.3°

Records
High: 28.4°/1993
Low: 8.1°/1992

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Sunset: 8:56 p.m.
Moonset: 2:00 a.m.
Moonrise: 6:36 p.m.

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